

**Title: Panfish Bag Limit and Size Regulations State of Wisconsin**

**The Problem:** The future of panfish statewide is in danger because of overharvesting. The harvesting of the largest and most mature fish in each species of panfish is causing a lower average size in populations statewide.

At present, the state has a 25 panfish daily total bag limit on the majority of lakes in Wisconsin.

**Resolution:** We feel that changing the present panfish regulation to separate the Panfish category into species category and add bag limits per category.

Species	Bag Limit
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Crappies	10 Fish per day with only 5 over 11 inches.
Perch	10 Fish per day with only 5 over 12 inches.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Conservation Congress at its annual meeting held in Oneida County on April 8<sup>th</sup>, 2013 recommends that the Conservation Congress work with Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources to take action to correct this situation by introducing Panfish species categories and new daily bag limits with length requirements as listed.

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